(*d*) have any applications been received by the Government from any persons for appointment to this post;

(*e*) if so who are all such applicants ?

Minister for Education, Labour and Civil Supplies **(Sri. Panampilli Govinda Menon):**

(*a*) Government have not been informed of the reasons for the resignation;

(*b*) Sri. Nandan Menon was appointed for a period of five years on a pay of Rs. 1,250 per mensem with the usual allowances admissible under the rules and free furnished quarters.

(*c*) The question is under consideration.

(*d*) Yes.

(*e*) Dr. P. Narasimhayya, Secretary, University Grants Committee, New Delhi.

BHUTHATHANKETTU DAM

***113.** [56] **Sri. N. P. Verghese:** Will the hon'ble Minister for Works and Communications be pleased to state.—

(*a*) whether the investigation of the diversion Dam at Bhuthathankettu in the Periyar river is completed;

(*b*) what is the area estimated to be benefited;

(*c*) do the Government propose to take it up in 1951 ?

Minister for Public Works and Communications **(Sri. E. John Philipose):**

(*a*) Yes.

(*b*) 93,500 acres.

(*c*) No decision has been taken.

SHIFT SYSTEM

***114.** [60] **Sri. P. M. Verghese :** Will the hon'ble Minister for Education, Labour and Civil Supplies be pleased to state.—

(*a*) whether in the Primary Section there are two kinds of schools, *i.e.*, schools having shift system and those without shift;

(*b*) if it is not a fact that the standard of teaching in the schools differs.

(*c*) whether the Government intend making the standard uniform; and

(*d*) whether steps, if any, have been taken towards the same ?

Minister for Education, Labour and Civil Supplies **(Sri. Panampilli Govinda Menon):**

(*a*) Yes.

(*b*) No.

(*c*) and (*d*) These do not arise in view of the answer to part (*b*) above.

WORKS BUDGETED FOR THE YEAR

***115.** [61] **Sri. P. M. Verghese:** Will the hon'ble Minister for Public Works be pleased to state.—

(*a*) whether all the works budgeted for the year ending have been taken up and completed;

(*b*) whether money on any budgeted item has lapsed due to negligence on the part of the Department;

(*c*) in case of lapse, the total amount that has so lapsed; and

(*d*) the reasons for the lapse?

Minister for Public Works and Communications **(Sri. E. John Philipose):**

(*a*) The majority of works budgeted for this year have been taken up and are in progress. Some works on the recommendation of the Central Advisory

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